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In re Application of)

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Patent Application No. 09/554,604)

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For: CYCLOOXYGENASE-2 INHIBITION)

Group Art Unit: 1617

Examiner: S. Wang

RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION
AND TO ADVISORY ACTION OF 05/29/02

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action of March 15, 2002 and to the advisory action of May 29, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel Claims 1 and 2.

Cancel Claim 6

Amend Claim 7 to be as follows:

7. (Amended) A method of treating a patient with a virus-caused liver disease selected from the group consisting of chronic viral hepatitis B and chronic viral hepatitis C comprising administering to said patient a cyclooxygenase-2 inhibiting amount of selective inhibitor of cyclooxygenase-2 and therapeutic amount(s) of anti-viral drug(s).

Cancel Claim 8.

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